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Hirokazu MIHASHI, et al.

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Application Number

10/578,916

Filing Date

05/09/2006

Art Unit

Examiner Name

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

A CONTAINER WITH A FILTER*(Title of the Invention)*

the specification of which

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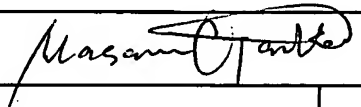
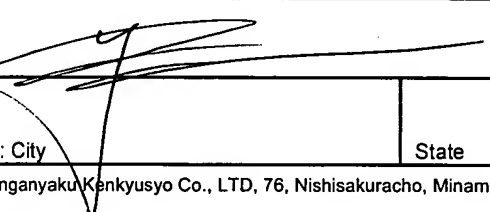
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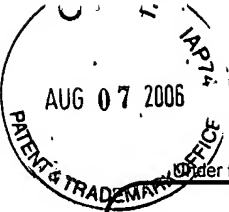


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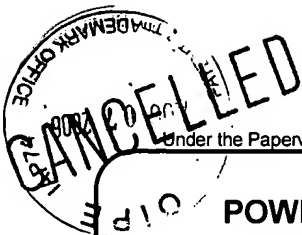
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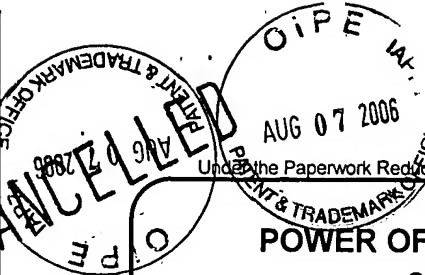
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